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The Horrors of Millerism.

Trial of Israel Dammon.

We have seen a report of the Trial of a man who is termed Elder Dammon, of Dover, in this State, commenced the 17th ult. before Moses Sweet and Seth Lee, Esqs. The trial developed most shocking particulars, and convinces us more fully than before, that town and city author- ities should interfere and arrest these sensual and demoralizing proceedings. They are as bad as the worst days of that arch scoundrel and fan- atic, COCHRAN, who "led silly women captive," and despoiled the domestic peace of many a peaceful and respectable family. A part of the evidence we have omitted, it being too gross for publication.

Dammon was charged with being a vagabond, a common railer and brawler, neglecting to sup- port his family, &c. He plead *not guilty*, and numerous witnesses were examined during the time of the trial which lasted two days. Some of the witnesses testified that they saw nothing at the meetings improper, and others detailed what they saw—showing that the conduct of prisoner and his associates, was abominable. To this point J. W. E. Harvey testified that he had attended their meetings two days and four evenings. First meeting lasted eight days; have known Dammon six weeks; Dammon, White and Hall were lead- ers. Dammon said the sinners were going to hell in two days. They were hugging and kissing each other; Dammon would lay on the floor, then jump up; they would frequently go into another room. Dammon has no means to support himself that I know of. The meeting appeared very irre- ligious; have seen him sit on the floor with a wo- man, his arms around her. The room they went into was a back room; don't know what was in it; I was in two rooms where there was a fire. In the back room they said the world's people must not go. Dammon said the meeting was to be a private meeting and they wanted no one to come in unless they believed as he did in the Advent doctrine. I did go to them; I went to satisfy my- self what was done. I had no hostile feelings against them. Prisoner lived on his followers:

Wm. C. Crosby, Esq. testified. He was at the meeting on Saturday night, from about 7 to 9 o'clock. There was a woman on the floor who lay on her back with a pillow under her head; she would occasionally arouse up and tell a vision which she said was revealed to her. They would at times all be talking at once, halloing at the top of their voices; some of them said there was too much sin there. After the cessation of the noise, Dammon got up and was more coherent; he com- plained of those that came there who did not be- lieve in the advent doctrine. At one time Dam- mon said there were hogs there not belonging to the band and pointed at him and said, I mean you, sir. Subsequently he addressed him again; said, you can't drive as out of town; he stared him in the face and said, I am an honest man, or I could not look you in the face, and you have hell's brass or you could not look me in the face. Dammon said if he was owner of the house, he would compel all unbelievers to leave it; they were setting and laying on the floor promiscuously, and were exceedingly noisy. By spells it was the noisiest I ever attended. He had seen them in groups hugging and kissing each other. Once saw Elder Hall with his boots off, and the women would go and kiss his feet. One girl made a squeak, but did not hit his foot with her lips. Hall said, "He that is ashamed of me before men him- self will I be ashamed of before my father and the ho- ly angels. She then gave his feet a number of kisses.

Loton Lambert testified that he attended a meeting one evening lately, and that Dammon was very abusive; called all other denominations liars, murderers, &c. A woman was present, who pre- tended to have visions, and who was blasphemously called the *Imitation of Christ*. She was said to be from Portland. Her name was Ellen Har- mon. She told Mrs Woodbury she must be bap- tized, or go to hell. Mrs W. concluded to be bap- tized. A Miss Dorinda Baker, of Orrington, fig- ured largely. She told Lambert he was the devil and would go to hell! She subsequently went into the bed room with a man, whom they called Elder White, and when they come out they were hugging each other. Miss Baker then went to one Doore, and they kissed each other. This night, they went to the water and baptized. The vision- ist, Miss Harmon, lying on the floor several hours—from 7 to 1 o'clock, that night. Part of the time Dammon lay on the floor, on his back. Elder White said if the Almighty had any thing to reveal, he revealed it to Miss H. She acted as mediator.

Deacon James Rowe testified that prisoner stood up in the floor and said, while I stand here, men nor devils cannot hurt you. He had known him for 20 to 30 years, and his character was good till recently.

Jerse B. Green testified, that in the meeting he attended, he saw men wash women's feet, &c.— Elder D. was the presiding Elder. He saw Dam- mon kiss Mrs Orborn.

Eben Trandy testified that prisoner told him he must live on them that had property—and if God did not come, then they must all go to work to- gether.

The first witness offered by the defence, was Jas. Ayer, Jr. He denied that a man went into the bed room with Miss Baker. He is an advent- ist, and said it was a part of their faith to kiss each other—and that they had Bible authority for it. He admitted that prisoner had no other busi- ness than to attend meetings. Dammon admit- ted he had a spiritual wife, and was glad of it.— He understood Miss Harmon had a vision at Port- land, and was travelling through the country relat- ing it.

Job Moody, one of the brethren, affirmed, that prisoner had repeatedly urged upon them the ne- cessity of quitting all labor. He affirmed that D's character was good. As for himself, he had been serving the Lord and hammering against the devil of late.

George Woodbury affirmed he believed in Miss Harmon's visions, because she told his wife's feelings correctly. It was his impression that pri- soner kissed his wife. Believed the world will come to an end within two months; prisoner preaches so. This is the faith of the band. It was said, and he believed, the sisters Harmon

and Baker's revelations as much as though they came from God. Sister Harmon said to his wife and the girls if they did not do as she said, they would go to hell. His wife and Dammon passed across the floor on their heads and knees. Some- one did go into the bed-room. Heard brother Dammon say the gift of healing the sick lay in the church. Dammon advised us not to work, be- cause there is enough to live on until the end of the world.

Others of the band testified to prisoner's good character, and one (Morrison) that they sat on the floor in order to converse more people.

Thomas Proctor testified that prisoner confessed to him that Miss Baker had an exercise in the bed room, and he went in and helped her out.

Elder Flavel Bartlett, testified that prisoner did not belong to the Free-Will Baptist Church, and was not in fellowship with them.

Joseph Knights, of Garland, testified that he at- tended one of Dammon's Meetings at Garland. He behaved well till meeting was over, and then he fell to kissing and hugging a girl. In Garland, it is common report that he is a disturber of the peace.

Much other testimony was received, pro and con, of a similar character, and the prisoner open- ed his defence. He cited Luke 7, 36; John 13; last chap. in Romans. Phillipians 4th; 1st Thes. 5th chap. J. S. Holmes assisted him in his de- fence. C. L. Chandler, and H. O. Morrison ar- gued the cause for the State.

Prisoner again arose, and read the 50th and 126th Psalm. He argued that the day of grace had gone by, that the believers were reduced, but that there were too many yet, and that the end of the world would come within a week.

The prisoner was sentenced to ten days in the House of Correction: from which sentence he ap- pealed.

On Tuesday, after the trial was concluded, and while the Court was waiting for the Counsel to come in, prisoner and his witnesses asked permis- sion, and sung that hymn, by John Craig, begin- ning—

"While I was down in Egypt's land,
I heard my Saviour was at hand;
The midnight cry was sounding,
And I wanted to be free,
So I left my former brethren
To sound the jubilee."

These scenes are not enacted at Atkinson only. In this city, we are informed "gross deeds" are done by one section of these fanatics—for there are two. One worshipping with propriety of con- duct (so far as we know) at Beethoven Hall,— the other at private houses. The latter, hold to the "kissing," "washing each others feet," aban- doning work, &c. Many of these, were once res- pectable, happy, and comfortably situated. Now, by this delusion of the devil, they are wallowing on the floor, their character lost, their families broken up, their daughters debased, their minds wild with insanity. It is indeed a melancholy reflection, and well deserving the attention of the humane, how this wild fire may be stopped, our youth pre- vented from pollution, those saved who are not yet utterly ruined—and those ruined, recovered if it can be so. We commend to the attention of all, public authorities, and private citizens, this evil in our midst; and pray success may attend their efforts to abate it, and prevent its spread and des- olating consequences.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTION.

Child's Express yesterday brought us the vote of Dover. No opposition was made to the whig moderator. State Representatives all whigs. For the Representatives to Congress, it appears that a portion of the whigs left Messrs Edwards and Sawyer, and give their votes for Mr Hale. Goodwin, whig, 556; Nesmith, do., 559; Edwards, do., 461; Sawyer, do., 416. Of the democratic ticket, Moses Morris, jr., had 389, Moulton 392; Johnson 330. Woodbury 270. John P. Hale had 470. All on the abolition ticket received 119, except Perkins, who had but 7. Those who drop- ped him of course voted for Mr Hale. For Gov- ernor, we give the following comparative vote; it is probably the worst looking news we shall have, and it is well to give the worst first:—

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For Governor, Steele 478—Colby 401. The highest vote for Democratic Representative to Congress, was 490—Whig 400. John P. Hale had 125.

By the politeness of Mr. CHAPIN, we have the latest news from Washington.

M. Bancroft Confirmed. The Madisonian of Monday evening says, the Senate have confirmed the nomination of Mr Bancroft as Secretary of the Navy.

P. S. Ruesor says that Amos Kendall, will be Postmaster of Washington.

The Annual Session of the Baltimore Confer- ence of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is to meet at Baltimore on Wednesday next, when all the Bishops are expected to be present except Bishop Andrew. It is supposed that the question re- ferred from the General Conference as to a divi- sion of the Church into Northern and Southern sections, will occupy a considerable portion of this session.

ROBBERY OF A CLERGYMAN.—We copy the following from the Louisville Protestant and Herald: We regret to learn that the Rev. Dr. Rice, of Princeton, N. J., was robbed of all his money on his passage to New Orleans on board of a steamboat. Our informant did not say wheth- er any of the money which he had collected for the seminary at Princeton, was included in the loss. His fellow passengers, as soon as they as- certained his situation, voluntarily supplied him with the means necessary to prosecute his journey.

"Richard Himself Again." Booth has been playing a most brilliant engagement at the Na- tional Theatre, Cincinnati, closing on the 26th ult. The Cincinnati Enquirer remarks, that "there were twice as many people within the theatre for the five nights during the engagement of Mr Booth, than ever before for the same num- ber of nights, and more money than during the engagement of Mr Macready, when the prices were double."

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